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Date of Opening of Secondary Schools

The statutory date of reopening secondary schools is September 8th, 1942. Under the provisions of section 8*a* of the Department of Education Act, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has ordered the closing of secondary schools from September 8th to September 21st inclusive. If, however, the situation in the farming industry is such as to require the help of pupils beyond September 21st, boards may postpone the re-opening of their secondary schools for one week or two weeks longer. It is hoped, however, that all secondary schools will be at work by September 22nd. Pupils, who, with the approval of the Principal, are engaged in farm work from September 8th until they return to school, not later than October 9th, will be credited with attendance during this period. If a school is closed under the provisions of this circular, the attendance of all pupils may be recorded from September 8th to the date of the reopening of the schools.

The same provisions may apply to pupils who are needed in local canneries, cheese factories, and creameries, if it can be shown that their work is needed to take care of this year's crops of fruits and vegetables, and to prepare milk products for shipment overseas.

This announcement does not refer to the elementary schools. Public and separate schools will reopen on the statutory date, September 8th, 1942.

D. McARTHUR,
Minister of Education.

TORONTO, July 27th, 1942.